Certificate in Medieval and Renaissance Studies

The Medieval and Renaissance studies certificate explores the diversity of European culture, drawing from WSU course offerings in art history, literature, music, languages and political science.

The undergraduate certificate may be earned by any undergraduate or graduate student and requires coursework from at least three departments including history, literature, language and another discipline.

The certificate may be combined with a major (e.g., English, history) or taken as an elective interest.

Program Requirements

An overall grade point average of at least 2.000 for all courses comprising the certificate program, and no grade below *C*, is required to earn the certificate.

Course	Title	Hours
Select a minimum of 18 credit hou studies coursework (from at least t	rs in Medieval and Renaissance three departments) from the following:	18
ARTH 520	Seminar in Art History	
ENGL 317	History of the English Language	
ENGL 340	Shakespeare	
ENGL 515	Studies in Shakespeare	
ENGL 521	Medieval Literature	
ENGL 522	Renaissance Literature	
ENGL 580/860	Special Studies	
ENGL 721	Seminar in Medieval Literature	
ENGL 722	Seminar in Renaissance Literature	
FREN 551	French Civilization: The Middle Ages to the Restoration	
FREN 629	Medieval French Literature	
LATN 111	Elementary Latin I	
LATN 112	Elementary Latin II	
LATN 204	Intermediate Latin	
MUSC 334	History of Music I	
SPAN 623	Seminar in Spanish	
Total Credit Hours		18

Notes:

- A total of 6 credit hours (in exceptional cases, 9 credit hours) from other universities may be applied toward the certificate with approval.
- A total of 6 credit hours (in exceptional cases, 9 credit hours) may be taken as independent study.
- Students must complete all work for the certificate within six (in exceptional cases, seven) years following admission to the program.
- New additions to the list of courses will be announced as they are approved.

Language Requirement

Students are required to complete a minimum of one course in a medieval language. However, those anticipating graduate work in a field within Medieval and Renaissance studies are strongly encouraged to take the Latin sequence (LATN 111– LATN 112, LATN 204). Students may choose from the following:

- Latin
- Old English
- Middle English
- Old French
- Medieval French
- Medieval Spanish
- Middle High German
- Old Norse

Note: Modern language courses (e.g., FREN 105) do not count toward the 18 credit hours needed to complete the certificate. Languages not taught on a regular basis may be taken as independent study courses with the permission of the instructor.

Final Project

The final project should be a substantial essay of not less than 20 pages of text (not including notes) that uses primary sources. The essay should be submitted to the program coordinator at least three months before the student graduates.

The student will present their essay at a final project review staffed by the coordinator, the professor who supervised the writing of the essay, and one other program faculty member. The coordinator will be responsible for scheduling the review.

Advising

Students should be advised by a member of the coordinating committee. For more information and advising, contact coordinator, Francis X. Connor, 316-978-6231, or francis.connor@wichita.edu.